




Minutes

What	Ipswich Bicycle Club Committee Meeting		
Why	Annual General Meeting		
When	Thursday 14 th November 2024 at 7.30pm		
Where	Ipswich Sports Club, Henley Road		
Attended 35	Mark Salter Tracy McKenzie Josephine Rosier Will Taylor Paul Williams Charlie Latto Eddie Bryant Jackie Abbott Sarah Bennett Jojo Salter Tim Butler Hilary Bond Garrath Bond	Clive Tricker Tim Canham Kevin Stark Lucy Stark Angus Jardine Steve Faulkner Chris Bond Ping Cheung Anne Betts Charles Mildred John Davey Mick Hearn Laura Read Siobhan Smith	Leanne Nixon Paul Rippon Jeremy Suttle Nick Green Sean Marnier Raymond Lieu Jason Clark Stuart Bailey
Apologies	Steve Grimwood Nicky Humphries	Simon Trudgett Sue Chittock	

Item No.	Item Description	Lead
1.	<p>Welcome</p> <p>The Vice President, Tim Butler, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Chairperson, to Chair the Meeting.</p> <p>The meeting was quorate (35) and opened at 7.33pm</p>	TB TM
2.	<p>General Summary</p> <p>The Chairperson, Tracy McKenzie, welcomed everyone to the IBC AGM 2024 and confirmed the arrangements for the Meeting's Agenda.</p>	TM
3.	<p>AGM Minutes – 9th November 2023</p> <p>Last year's Minutes were proposed by Jo Rosier as a true record and were seconded by Charlie Latto. The document has been available on the Club's website for the last 12 months.</p>	TM
4.	<p>Chairperson's Report</p> <p>Welcome to our annual AGM. We have continued with our variety of cycling disciplines this year and they were supported by some of our club members.</p> <p>We provided group riding training again this year to promote safety and inclusivity, which is important to all of us. These were held at Colchester Northern Gateway on the all-weather flood-lit cycling track, over 2 evenings in summer. If you are new to the club, we urge you to attend these sessions as you will learn vital bike handling skills and group riding skills.</p>	TM



	<p>We were able to hold our annual summer BBQ this year at Ipswich Sports Club by tagging it onto the Pint-to-Pint ride. Thank you to Tim Canham and Jo Rosier for organising the Pint to Pint and to the club members who joined in to this fun event.</p> <p>We had a session at the Lee Valley Velodrome again this year but only a few members attended so we will likely rest this for the coming year until there is more demand.</p> <p>Social rides: Thank you to Hilary Bond for taking over and organising the SSRs again every Saturday from the summer. These are very successful as Hilary and Gareth carry our wide and varied research in the café stops, making sure they carry out a recce themselves and sample the wares before we all attend. They take this aspect of the role very seriously. Thank you to our lead riders, who are also volunteers. We appreciate your support in leading rides. Even if you only have time to lead one ride every few weeks or so, it is a great help and ensures we are able to put on rides for members at all levels.</p> <p>We held an extraordinary social meeting at Venue 16 in October to listen to your views about the running and the future of the club and this was well supported by a very good turnout of members. Thank you to Kev for chairing this meeting. We listened to all your views and took on board your suggestions which you will see in the coming year ahead.</p> <p>I'd like to thank all the committee members for your continued support to me in my final year as chairperson. It has been a pleasure working alongside you. However, after 4 years I have overstayed my welcome and it is time for me to step down and hand over the handlebars to a new chair, Lucy.</p> <p>Tracy McKenzie Chairperson</p>	
5.	<p>Treasurer's Report The current account has £100.76 This includes all the AGM clothing sales.</p> <p>Saving Account £25528.37</p> <p>Paypal approx £320 (required for the Ride GPS payment)</p> <p> IBC BalanceSheet 23-24.xlsx</p> <p>Paul Rippon</p>	PR
6.	<p>Membership Secretary Report</p> <p>At the end of October 2024, the IBC membership reached 155 members for the year – again. It has been encouraging to see many new faces amongst our club members.</p> <p>This was the fifth year that IBC ordered membership cards from 'Club Cards 121' which were ordered in three batches from the initial annual membership renewals. Beyond the third order date new member's cards were produced in-house as required, on an ad-hoc basis, throughout the year.</p>	AB/CM



Club Cards 121 service this year was not to the high-quality standard we have received in the previous four years therefore after careful consideration and communication with cycling clubs in East Anglia - the club's committee have agreed to cease the production of membership cards on an annual basis.

Discussion has taken place with British Cycling to ensure the safety of our members is not altered, to ensure all members in the first instance receive the appropriate care should an unexpected incident or accident occur then we will contact their chosen emergency contact person.

All we ask of members is to ensure that they have an emergency number on the mobile phone contact listing named 'ICE'.

Moving on and adapting, we have seen how awkward it is for our members to renew their annual membership each year on New Year's Eve. Moving renewals for 2025 to March (meaning that 2024 was a bargain 15-month year) appears to be the time for many to consider their return to venturing outdoors on a regular basis. We hope this will be a more convenient time for our members to ensure that the process is swiftly completed each year going forward.

To confirm - members' current membership will be rolled forward to March 2025 following this meeting.

The British Cycling individual club membership system will remain as the IBC central membership recording facility as this links into events and competition entries for those members who either currently compete or may do so in the future.

We would still ask that members carefully check their details are correct on their British Cycling records particularly at the time of their BC renewal, (which is likely to be a different time of year from IBC renewal date) or at any time when there is a significant change such as a change of home address. BC membership is mandatory however we would suggest members familiarize themselves with the levels of BC membership as they have recently been revised.

We look forward to a busy March processing membership renewal (due March 2025) for our Club's membership into 2025.

Anne Betts & Charles Mildred

7. **General Reports**

Off Road Competition – Steve Grimwood

My apologies that due to work commitments I cannot be present for the AGM Cyclo Cross Secretary's Report Cyclo Cross still remains a strong, with events still popular with riders despite the general fall in numbers across the country. Event numbers have fallen a bit this year but still a good spread of events. I have been taking a little time off following the promotion of the World Masters Championships, but am still keen to get IBC back on the Events Calendar, either at Trinity Park again or Alton Water. It would be great to see some newcomers and young riders too, and as always if anyone fancies a go and has either a MTB or Gravel bike, then simply get in touch & I'll be happy to help guide the way. Results of Season 2023/24 IBC was proudly represented by 7

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Riders: Pete Carter, Paul Mathias, Dave Copland, Kevin Godber, John Terryl and Tim Butler
With Clive Tricker taking a well earned Bronze Medal in the 70+ Men
Well done Clive ! and all the riders for giving it a go.
Steve G

Off Road Social – Mark Salter

There have been a large number of off road social events taking place this year involving club members joining in with the Fuddy Muckers for a variety of off road disciplines.

Among these have been mountain bikes and gravel bikes on various off road trails in Suffolk and further afield in Great Britain.

There is no active mountain biking competition being run in the Eastern Region this year, but IBC have an active section of off-road mountain and gravel bikers who regularly meet on organised rides taking in a diverse set of off-road routes from country tracks and bridle ways, to canal tow paths and forest tracks. IBC has not renewed the corporate membership to Twisted Oaks as it wasn't being used by more than a handful of members.

Several organised rides have taken place in Rendlesham, Tunstall and Thetford Forest as well as Alton Water.

Media – Mark Salter

Facebook has continued to be our main tool to communicate events and information to our members this year, followed up with email for those not using this form of social media. The website continues to present a face to the outside world and has encourage quite a few new people to get in touch with us about becoming members and joining in with our rides.

Not so much use has been made of Twitter and Instagram this year so we are pleased to announce that Sue Chittock has volunteered to take on the role of media reporter so you will see more posts about IBC in the coming months promoting what we do.

Club Clothing – Kevin Stark

As members will be aware we moved back to Endura for club clothing this year. The new online 'shop' has opened twice and proved to be relatively straightforward. We decided to hold a selection of common items for sizing purposes, in order to provide some reassurance to members when trying to decide which size to buy, given the costs involved. This has proved a popular service.

We do hold a small selection of items for sale which members may like to know about, these are men's Gilets (a useful way of still displaying club colours in the autumn/winter months) a limited number of Long Sleeve Jerseys, Arm Warmers and Socks.

The value of returning to Endura was highlighted when IBC Caps and Socks arrived. We expressed some disappointment in both design and colour and received a full refund for the Caps and a re-run of the socks. We are delighted to say we are selling the new pairs of socks for £11.25 but they will come with a pair of the old design free!

If anybody is interested please let me know about any of the clothing options.
Kevin

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Coaching & Development – Mark Salter

As a club we organised several training sessions for members this year. 2 separate sessions were held in early Summer at the Colchester Northern Gateway track where we had exclusive use of the outdoor track for our 2 club coaches, Adam Keer and Peter Ingram to train up our social riders in the art of safe group riding and etiquette. This has paid dividends with lots of very well-disciplined group rides taking place over the summer weeks. Also, we hired the Lee Valley Velodrome for a coaching session using their coaches to take a group through the technique of track riding using a fixed gear bike.

MS

Social Rides – Hilary Bond

I would like to say a big thank you to Ashley & Leanne Nixon in this role prior to myself stepping in this year. We've had a few additional leaders join us this year: Lewis Camplin, Stuart Bailey, Adam Speers, Mark Cheeseman, Miles Goodwin, thanks to you all. We've added as many green rides as possible when we have enough leaders to cover the groups and will continue to do so. This has encouraged people to give the club a try, we all had to start somewhere.

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Recently we have added a transition group for blue riders stepping up to red which has gone down well with riders and leaders.

We've tried a few new café venues with varying degrees of success: Eastern Farm Park, Be Well Barn, The Ox, Shotley Vineyard and Green Wolf. I also have a few more to try for next year. If anyone has any suggestions of new venues they will be gratefully received.

We currently have 19 active lead riders, more are always welcome, so if you fancy stepping up please speak to me or one of the other lead riders.

We will trial moving the Norwich Ride to a Sunday next year to make it easier for those that need time off work.

I'd like to thank everyone for your support in my new role this year especially my fellow lead riders, it's been a learning curve but an enjoyable one. If anyone has any queries or suggestions just ask.

Hilary Bond

Road Race – Charles Mildred

Sadly there were no IBC members competing on the road this year. There was a program of races in East Anglia normally with 2 races a day (one male & one female) to keep costs down for the organizing club, where Anne Betts, Charles Mildred and Mark Salter as Accredited Marshalls volunteered.

CM

Ipswich was due to run a ladies race in October and then took over the organizing of the men's race as well when Orwell Velo pulled out. We cancelled both races 2 weeks before the event when only 36 men and 1 lady had pre-registered and a decision had to be made to stop before greater costs were incurred.

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For information Schils is running and autumn series of races at the Colchester Gateway on Sunday morning.

Time Trial – Jonathan Carlyon – nothing to report.

Social – Lucy Stark

As a club, we have enjoyed a number of social events this year. Steve Grimwood hosted our first social of the year with a fantastic tubeless tutorial evening at Elmy's, bringing together riders from different disciplines. March saw another successful IBC Annual Club Dinner Dance at Hintlesham Golf Club - a fantastic evening of wonderful food, great company and some rather impressive dance moves (thank you Steve!) Combat 2 Coffee kindly hosted us for a barista evening at their roasting house in March and, in early April, we had a visit from EI at Endura to showcase the new club kit, allowing members to try before placing their orders. As the weather turned warmer, our social evenings took a different twist and a large group of members old and new headed down to Bin93 for a wonderful evening of wine tasting, which was very successful. It was fantastic to see our members enjoying a different kind of social. In an attempt to make sure our social offering was as varied as possible, we tried another challenge in September with an orienteering evening at Orwell Country Park - a big thank you to Sue for organising that for us, it was a great success and something we hope to repeat in the new year. We ended the year by coming together to discuss our vision as a club moving forward - thank you to all those members who contributed either on the evening or prior to our social at Venue 16 in October- your views will help to shape the offering for members next year.

As we look to dissolve the current committee and re-elect members to new positions for the coming year, we urge you to keep communicating with us - if you have requests or ideas for social events, please do let us know so that we can ensure we meet the needs of the members we represent.

Lucy

Welfare – Kevin Stark & Anne Betts

Many of you who attended last year's AGM will recall that I highlighted how the role of the Welfare Officer is primarily to ensure safeguarding: with respect to children and vulnerable adults especially with regards to coaching.

As a club however we pride ourselves on how the Welfare Officers, address any highlighted concerns over and above those areas, which extends that role. As many members will be aware, several issues have raised their heads recently which prompted the hastily arranged 'Social' in October. It was pleasing to read some positive feedback from that meeting and hear the thoughts of two new members on the night. I would like to take this opportunity to remind all members to be mindful of what we as a club are trying to achieve, 'a friendly club which allows everyone to enjoy their cycling' - and so please try to be respectful and treat others how you would like to be treated yourself.

Any large group will inevitably result in mixed opinions and personalities, being able to listen and accommodate the wishes of others is an exceptional quality and one which I think we all agree is beneficial in all walks of life. Overall, however the services of the Welfare Officer over the year has thankfully been infrequently

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	which we are both grateful, this highlights that as a club we are succeeding in our aims.	
8.	Committee Proposals a) Club President & Vice President nominations None for this AGM	TM
9.	General Committee Proposals a) To raise the cost of Membership The committee propose raising the price of individual membership to £25 per year, an increase of £5 over what has remained unchanged for 10 years. This incorporates suggestions from Jason Clark and Kevin Stark. Note this is individual membership only. All other prices remain the same. Passed	TM Proposer – Kevin Stark Seconder – Charles Mildred Majority vote Yes
10.	General Members Proposals a) Tim Canham – Explain the purpose and intended use of funds in the club savings account. Tim has asked for someone to outline what the club savings account money is being kept for and would like to see a discussion take place with members as to possible future uses for any of these funds. Examples include; equipment purchase for youth coaching, funds for a meeting venue, training facility hire, and club access to a sports injury facility. Proposal is – explain history of money and discuss future use. b) Steve Grimwood – We use some of the Marie Pickess legacy to create a fund that ensures the Club Annual Dinner is kept We create a fund to ensure that the Annual Dinner always happens, I think it is what she would have wanted, appreciated and would have attended. I think we need to ensure that we don't only cater to the riding members but also to partners, family and older members who still want to have a connection to the Club. I think it's important we do this and all jokes about bad dancing aside, I think this annual element of the club is part of our history and needs to continue. The amount each year should cover venue hire and extras (disco etc.) The committee to decide an amount. Proposal is – does the AGM agree to use the savings funds to promote an annual club dinner/awards evening. Passed c) Joe Shaw – Club run TT entry fees to be paid for by IBC. Joe has proposed that the entry fee for IBC members taking part in the 4 evening TT's that we organise and run should be covered by club funds in order to encourage more people to take part. Proposal is – Does the AGM agree that the club should fund IBC members taking part in the 4 IBC organised evening time trials. Rejected	TM Complete Proposer – Steve Grimwood Seconder – Tim Canham Majority vote Yes Proposer - Joe Shaw Seconder – Clive Tricker Majority vote No
11.	Dissolve the current Committee Tracy McKenzie announced the dissolving of the current Committee, handing over proceedings to Tim Butler.	TM/ TB
12.	Election of the new Club Committee	IBC



	- see table below	
13.	Any Other Business No proposals received by the Chairperson	TM
14.	Vote for Club Member of the Year All present at the meeting were invited to submit private nominations, the counting was completed to determine the results - the winning member will be announced at the 2024/5 Awards Evening.	LS
15.	AGM Closed Meeting closed at 8.54pm.	TM
16.	Open discussion – formalities complete.	PR MS WT
17.	Meeting Closed Meeting closed at 8:54pm	

The new committee will meet on Monday 18th November 2024

Role	Current	Name of Proposed	1st	2nd
Honorary positions				
Club President	Tim Butler	Tim Butler	No vote – determined by the committee	
Vice President	Keith Hill (Deceased)	Steve Grimwood		
Vice President	Joyce Neville	Joyce Neville		
Vice President	Mick Hearn	Mick Hearn		
Management positions				
Chairperson	Tracy McKenzie	Lucy Stark	Voted en bloc	Seconded Sean Marner
Vice Chair	Will Taylor Lucy Stark	Will Taylor Tracy McKenzie		
Treasurer	Paul Rippon	Paul Rippon		
Accounts Examiners	Roger Girling	Sarah Bowles	Proposed Tim Butler	
Accounts Examiners	Vacant	Vacant		
Club Secretary	Mark Salter	Mark Salter	Majority in favour - passed	
Membership Secretary	Anne Betts Charles Mildred	Anne Betts Charles Mildred		
Social Rides Secretary*	Hilary Bond	Hilary Bond		
Welfare Officer Female	Anne Betts	Anne Betts		
Welfare Officer Male	Kevin Stark	Kevin Stark		
Social & Trophy Secretary	Lucy Stark	Lucy Stark		



		Tracy McKenzie		
Media Secretary	Mark Salter Sue Chittock	Mark Salter Sue Chittock		
Coaching Secretary		Vacant		
Clothing Co-ordinator	Mark Salter Kevin Stark	Mark Salter Kevin Stark		
General positions – if any additional interest comes forward, the post will go to a vote at the AGM				
Road Race & Track Secretary	Charles Mildred	Charles Mildred	Voted en bloc	
Time Trial Secretary	Jon Carlyon	Jon Carlyon		
Off Road Competition Secretary	Steve Grimwood	Steve Grimwood	Proposed	Seconded
Off Road Social Secretary	Steve Grimwood	Steve Grimwood	Tim Canham	Leanne Nixon
Coaching & Development	Vacant	Vacant	Majority in favour - passed	
Members Representative	Josephine Rosier	Josephine Rosier		

***The committee in early 2022 decided that the SSR position should be a management position, hence moved to this section.**